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N Saturday, Neil Armstrong, first man to walk on the moon, will be made a Freeman of Langholm.

And in a seat of honour at the ceremony will be Mr George Walker, from Busby, Renfrewshire.

It was Mr Walker who first wrote to Langholm Town Council in 1969 suggesting they invite Neil Armstrong to the home of the Armstrong

In recognition, the town council have invited Mr Walker and his wife, Mary, to the service in the Old Parish Church.

Mr Walker, 30 Hawthorn Road, is proud of his own Armstrong connections. His mother was an Armstrong. His middle name is

When he read that Neil Armstrong would be the first man to walk on the moon, he wrote to the town council.

They liked his idea and got in touch with the astronaut right away. Now Mr Walker has only one more aim in mind. To get the famous astronaut's autograph on the invitation card for his 14-year-old son—John Armstrong Walker.